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# **LETTER**

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Sir:

On May 21, 2007, we filed an Information Disclosure Statement citing reference(s) JP 08-251600. Submitted herewith are the English Translations of the Japanese Office Actions for the Examiner's consideration.

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# INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.97

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Applicant(s) wish to disclose the following information.

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- The applicant(s) wish to make of record the reference(s) listed on the attached form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed reference(s) are attached, where required, as are either statements of relevancy or any readily available English translations of pertinent portions of any non-English language reference(s).
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